

OTS: Exodus

Introduction

The book of Exodus has been the most interesting book in my childhood. What drew my interest in it was a film of Moses leading the children of Israel out of Egypt. So I took my mother's Bible and read this book. It was amazing how Moses performed all the miracles He did in Egypt and on the Red Sea with his staff. As I grew and got to listen to sermons on Exodus, I began to pay attention to the character my young mind has always filtered out when reading Exodus and that character is God.

In this episode, we are going to look at Exodus in a nutshell. We shall look at the Title, the Author and date of authorship, the message, and the outline of the book of Exodus.

Title

The name of the book is Exodus, take from the Greek **ἐξοδος** "**exodos**" meaning the "**exit**" or "**the going out.**"

Author and Date

The widely accepted author of this book is Moses and it could have been written in the wilderness on the journey from Egypt to Canaan.

Message of Exodus

The book of Exodus documents the greatest historical events, in the lives of the children of Israel. Firstly, it records the beginning and severity of their slavery in Egypt and the failed attempt of the Egyptian king to reduce their numbers. We see God introducing Himself to Moses and to the children of Israel. Secondly, it documents the institution of the Passover, an ordinance we now know was a shadow of the coming Messiah who would die to save His people. Thirdly, it records the triumph of God over the Egyptians, both in Egypt and in the Red sea. Fourthly, we see the giving of the covenant on Mount Sinai and manifold provisions of God for the Children in the wilderness. Fifthly, we see the setup and the construction of the tabernacle, the ark of the covenant, and the order of service therein.

Exodus is very interesting to read because this is where we see God dwelling among His own people for the first time after 400 years of Egyptian oppression.